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In re Application of : DECISION ACCORDING STATUS
GILBERT et al. : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)
Application No. 10/040,837 :
Filed: 01/07/2002 :
Attorney Docket No. 02-1051 :
Title: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR :
PROVIDING CROSSING MARKETS :
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This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a), filed July 3, 2002. The petition was recently forwarded to the Office of Petitions for a decision on the merits. The Office sincerely apologizes for any inconvenience.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is **GRANTED**.

Petitioners showed that the legal representative of the deceased inventor constructively refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application after having been presented with the application papers.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and are in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status. As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the legal representative at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 3692.

Inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3211.

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Dear Ms. Gilbert:

You are named as the legal representative of deceased inventor, Andrew Gilbert, in the above-identified United States patent application filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code) and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a legal representative.

As a named legal representative you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application should be directed to Certification Services at (571) 272-3150 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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